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JOSEPH M. SPEINLE



SPEINLE, JOSEPH M. (Joe) Joe Speinle was born in Munich, Germany, in 1928. At age 15, he began his aviation apprentice schooling and worked seven days per week, either in school or at the Dornier Aircraft Plant.

Following the war from 1945 to 1951, Joe served as an interpreter for the U. S. Army and worked as an auto mechanic.

In 1951, Joe immigrated to the United States and in 1952, married his wife Evelyn, who also had come over from Germany.

In 1953, he joined the U. S. Air Force, where he maintained F-86's, B-29's, and B-52's. In 1954, he was stationed at Eielson Air Force Base.

Following his tour of duty, Joe and Evelyn choose to make Fairbanks their home. In 1957, he went to work for Fairbanks Air Service, maintaining bush aircraft